

MBNMS RAP Meeting Summary May 14th, 2004

Research Activity Panel Meeting Summary Chris Harrold, Monterey Bay Aquarium, RAP Chair

May 2004 RAP MEETING

Host: NMFS Lab, Santa Cruz
Friday, May 14, 2004 9am-12pm

In Attendance:

Members

- Chris Harrold, MBA - RAP Chair
- Jeff Paduan, NPS - RAP Vice Chair
- Andrew DeVogelaere, MBNMS - RAP Coordinator
- Greg Cailliet, MLML
- Churchill Grimes, NOAA/NMFS
- Steve Moore, CSUMB
- Mark Carr/Pete Raimondi, UCSC
- Rick Starr, U.C. Sea Grant
- Caroline Pomeroy, UCSC
- Aaron King, MPA
- Gary Sharp, CCORS

Guests

- Josh Pederson, SIMoN
- Erica Burton, MBNMS
- Sarah Smith, SIMoN
- Sean Hayes, NMFS
- Rick Hanks, BLM
- Tara Anderson, NMFS/USGS

PRESENTATIONS

Institutional Update: NMFS (Churchill Grimes)

- Sean Hayes talked about current work on anadromous fishes work in Scott Creek (Hatchery vs. wild)

California Coastal National Monument (Rick Hanks)

- CA Coastal National Monument is 12 mi, out from mean high tide, and above, rocks along the entire California coast.
- BLM (Bureau of Land Management) is the nation's largest land manager and has created the National Landscape Conservation System
- Main goals of the CCONM are protection, research and education
- In planning stages currently; forming relationships with collaborative partners is essential
- For more information see:
http://www.ca.blm.gov/pa/coastal_monument/

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INFORMATION ITEMS

Mac II cruise debrief (Jean de Marignac and Tara Anderson)

- The cruise was a collaborative effort with the MBNMS, CBNMS and GFNMS, USGS, NMFS
- The goal was to map habitats and associated biota distributions

DISCUSSION ITEMS

NOAA Ship time Allocation Process (Jean de Marignac and Andrew DeVogelaere)

- Andrew DeVogelaere reviewed handout on history of McArthur time usage; it is not reliable in terms of how many days are allocated to the MBNMS annually.
- Jean de Marignac presented the process on requesting and receiving ship time; it is unpredictable
- Andrew discussed how it is generally unclear how the ship time is allocated and that there is not much time to plan cruises, makes it difficult to collaborate and the sanctuary is looking for flexible partners
- Jean reviewed the Report from the West Coast NOAA Ship Time Coordination Meeting, conclusion: ship time is in high demand, not enough NOAA ships, and collaboration is very important; it would be good for Sanctuaries/NMFS to present a unified voice to request ship time for the west coast
- A request went out to RAP to approach Sanctuary with any ideas and proposals early to facilitate collaborations and usage of McArthur II ship time, otherwise it is business as usual
- Sanctuary will be receiving 65ft. vessel in 2 years but will be using Channel Islands Shearwater vessel in the meantime; a request went out to RAP for suggestions and requests regarding this ship time
- There was a presentation on preliminary data collected.
- Greg Cailliet mentioned that there should be a meeting to discuss identification of fishes and invertebrate species.
- For more information see: http://www.mbnms-simon.org/other/moreLinks/whats_new_mac.php

Re-visit Northern Management Area questions relative to RAP (Chris Harrold)

- No discussion, ran out of time
- Request to RAP to get questions related to research in the new Northern Management Area to Andrew before the meeting with Gulf of Farallones next Tuesday

SUGGESTED FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Streamlining Sanctuary research permits
- JMPR research plan appendix
- Updates on ocean observing programs (CIMT, CeNCOOS, CI-CORE). Presentations on these different groups and discussion on how we can work together (high priority)
- MPA science integration processes (Churchill Grimes – NOAA part) National Fisheries Conservation Center
- Presentation on everyone who has organized a deep sea invertebrate guide (SIMoN may play an integral role) Centralized Standardized Organized Invertebrate
- Discussion on defining role of RAP and how to deal with increased demand for Science Advisory Councils
- Possible new directions for the RAP based on the JMPR

ACTION ITEMS

Meeting adjourned